

<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 32307-230955
		U.S. PATENT OFFICE (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) Not yet assigned
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2005/004468	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 14 March 2005	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 15 March 2004
TITLE OF INVENTION VERTICAL MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND MAGNETIC RECORDING APPARATUS		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Sadayuki Watanabe et al.		
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20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Face Page of WO 2005/088609 A1 International Search Report Submission of Formal Drawings Form PCT/IB/301 Form PCT/IB/304 Form PCT/IB/308 PCT Request Form Verification of Translation Return Receipt Postcard			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.			
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		Application Number	Not Yet Assigned
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Filing Date	Concurrently Herewith
		First Named Inventor	Sadayuki Watanabe
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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

Fee Description	Small Entity	
	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	
				Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
8	- 20 =	x	=		
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1633 National Stage Examination Fee - all other ...			200.00
1642 National Stage Search Fee - search report			400.00
8021 National Stage recording each patent assignment, ...			40.00

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Submitted herewith are 6 (six) sheets of formal drawings containing Figures 1-6.

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